As per the guidelines issued by the Archaeological Survey of India *vide* O.M. 17/37/2004-M on 14.01.2005, a daily rent and a refundable security deposit are charged for holding cultural events in the precincts of selected protected monuments.

Setting up of Museum in Orissa

197. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to set up a museum including a miniature version of 12th century Jagannath shrine in Puri, Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the help both financial and physical, that the Centre proposed to extend to the State Government for successful completion of the above project?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) Archaeological Survey of India neither proposes nor has received any proposal from the State Government to set up a museum in Puri, Orissa.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) Question does not arise.

Foreign Debt

198. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of foreign debt borrowed by the country as on date;

(b) the status of India among the indebted countries of the world; and

(c) the per capita burden of foreign debt, at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) According to the latest available information, India's total external debt amounted to US $ 165.4 billion as at end of June 2007.

(b) According to the World Bank's Global Development Finance, 2007, India's position among the indebted developing countries of the world was seventh in 2005.

(c) The per capita burden of total foreign debt worked out to US$ 139.6 (Rs.6,086.5) at end March 2007.

Growth Rate of Core Sectors

199. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA Will the Minister of FINANCE be be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that six core sectors have registered a paltry growth of only 6.3 per cent in July when compared to 11 per cent during the same period last year;

(b) if so, the reasons behind this slump in these sectors;

(c) what is the growth rate of the above core sectors in August and September with corresponding growth during the same period in 2006; and

(d) how Government are planning to overcome the problem?